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SUBJECT:CALLING OF MAC MEETING ON AUGUST 18 INCIDENT

1. UNC SHOULD REQUEST THAT FULL MAC MEETING BE HELD
AUGUST 24 (KOREA TIME).

2. AT MEETING SENIOR MAC MEMBER SHOULD OPEN WITH FOLLOWING
STATEMENT:

QUOTE: AT OUR LAST MEETING ON AUGUST 21 YOU READ A MESSAGE
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FROM THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY

CONCERNING THE AUGUST 18 INCIDENT IN THE JOINT SECURITY AREA. IN THIS STATEMENT THE SUPREME COMMANDER SAID THAT IT WAS REGRETFUL THAT THIS INCIDENT HAD OCCURRED. HE ALSO DECLARED THAT AN EFFORT MUST BE MADE SO THAT SUCH INCIDENTS MAY NOT RECUR IN THE FUTURE.

WE CONSIDER THIS STATEMENT OF YOURS A POSITIVE STEP. NEVERTHELESS THIS DOES NOT CHANGE THE ACT THAT TWO UNC OFFICERS WERE BRUTALLY BEATEN TO DEATH WITHOUT PROVOCATION. WE MUST INSIST ON ASSURANCES THAT THE SAFETY OF UNC PERSONNEL IN THE JSA WILL BE PRESERVED, AND THAT THE FREEDOM OF ACTIVITY GUARANTEED TO BOTH SIDES WILL BE

RESPECTED. WE EXPECT THAT SUCH ASSURANCES WILL BE FORTHCOMING FROM YOUR SIDE. UNQUOTE

3. IN ANY ENSUING EXCHANGE ON ASSURANCES SENIOR MEMBER SHOULD ADHERE CLOSELY TO THRUST OF ABOVE STATEMENT. NO FURTHER MENTION SHOULD BE MADE OF REPARATIONS SINCE ASSURANCES ON SAFETY AND FREEDOM OF ACTION OF UNC PERSONNEL IN JSA WOULD ENCOMPASS THIS CONCEPT.

4. IN ANY DISCUSSION ON TREE FELLING AND ROAD-BLOCK REMOVAL, SENIOR MEMBER SHOULD NOTE THAT THESE MEASURES WERE TAKEN TO HELP GUARANTEE THE SAFETY AND THE FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT OF UNC PERSONNEL WITHIN THE JSA. THE MEASURES WERE THUS DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH THE ABILITY OF THE UNC TO CARRY OUT ITS FUNCTIONS UNDER THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT. SENIOR MEMBER MAY MAKE ADDITIONAL POINTS ON UNC RIGHTS IN JSA AND ON PAST PRECEDENTS AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

5. FYI: DEPARTMENT OF STATE SPOKESMAN AT NOON BRIEFING AUGUST 23 ANNOUNCED THAT UNC WOULD BE CALLING FOR MAC MEETING AND OUTLINED OUR VIEWS OF KPA SUPREME COMMANDER'S STATEMENT ALONG LINES PARA 2 ABOVE. END FYI.

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